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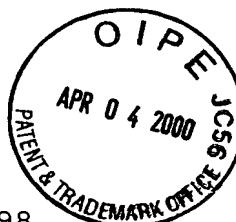
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Mohamed CHOKRI et al.

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GROUP 1644

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NEW ANTIGEN PRESENTING CELLS,
A PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE
SAME AND THEIR USE AS CELLULAR
VACCINES

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of January 4, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 47 as follows:

--47. (amended) The monocyte-derived antigen-presenting cells of claim 44, wherein said MD-APCs are macrophages, and wherein said phagocytic capacity is evidenced by an uptake of formalin-fixed yeast after culturing macrophages for 2 hours, adding yeast in 1/10 macrophages/yeast ratio and incubating at 37°C, 5% CO₂ atmosphere for 2-3 hours fixing by the May-Grünwald-Giemsa (MGG) staining, and the percentage of phagocytic The monocyte-derived antigen-presenting cells being quantified by microscopic analysis.

Cancel claims 82-84 and 86, without prejudice.